GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Prohibition & Excise Department – Allegation of corruption against Smt.Boyapati Sree Latha, Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, and Setakam Satyanarayana, Junior Assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada – Trapped by Anti Corruption Bureau on 23.09.2013- Disciplinary proceedings initiated – Inquiring Authority appointed – Inquiry Report received – Examined – Disciplinary Proceedings concluded – further action dropped - Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.455 **Dated:02.04.2019.**

Read the following:

1. DSP, ACB, Vijayawada vide Cr.No.38/RCT-ACB-VJA/2012, dt:23.09.2013.
2. From DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.277/RCT-VKI/2013-S.9, Date 28.09.2013
3. From DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.277/RCT-VKI/2013-S9, Dt.06.05.2015.
4. Govt.Memo.No.36745/Vig.IV.2/2013, dated 17.08.2015 of Rev(Vig.IV.2)Dept.,
5. From DG, ACB Lr.Rc.No.277/RCT-VKI/2013-S9, Dt.21.09.2015.
6. Govt.Memo.No.36745/Vig.IV.2/2013, dated 30.12.2015.
7. G.O.Rt.No.653 Revenue (Vig.IV) Department, dt.18.06.2016.
8. G.O.Rt.No.654 Revenue (Vig.IV) Department, dt.18.06.2016.
9. WSD of Smt.B.Sreelatha, former P&E Supdt., Vijayawada, presently working as Assistant Commissioner, P&E, Eluru, W.G.District dated 28.08.2016
10. WSD of Sri S.Satyanarayana, former Jr.Asst., O/o P&E Supdt., Vijayawada, presently Sr.Asst., O/o P&E Supdt., Machilipatnam dated 24.05.2016.
11. G.O.Rt.No.181 Revenue (Vig.IV) Department, dated 13.02.2017.
12. G.O.Rt.No.182 Revenue (Vig.IV) Department, dated 13.02.2017.
13. Sri A.Chandra Shekhar Naidu, Jt.Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise (Admin) & Inquiring Authority, Vijayawada, letter dated 14.02.2019 along with Inquiry Report.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 1st read above, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Vijayawada has reported that Smt.Boyapati Sree Latha (Accused Officer.1), Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, and Setakam Satyanarayana, Junior Assistant, O/o Prohibition Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada were trapped by the Anti Corruption Bureau authorities on 23.09.2013 when Accused Officer.1 demanded and accepted the tainted amount of Rs.40,000/- through Accused Officer.2 from the complainant Sri Mudiyala Jagan Mohan Reddy, Business partner in Sri Kanaka Durga Restaurant & Bar, Vijayawada for doing official favour for not booking cases over the restaurant and bar of the complainant.

2. And whereas, in the reference 3rd read above, the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau has furnished final report to Government duly recommended to prosecute both the Accused Officers in a court of law for the above noticed lapse.

3. And whereas, Government after careful examination of the matter have entrusted the case for departmental enquiry against Accused Officer.1 Smt. Boyapati Sreelatha, former Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada and Accused Officer.2 Sri S.Satyanarayana, Junior Assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada.

4. Whereas, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against Accused Officer.1 Smt. B. Sreelatha, Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada, under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 in the reference 7th read above duly framing the following charge:

> "While working as Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada Smt. Boyapati Sreelatha has demanded illegal gratification of Rs.40,000-00 monthly mamools from Sri Mudiyala Jaganmohan Reddy S/o Malakonda Reddy, 41 years, Business partner in Sri Kanaka Durga Restaurant & Bar, Bramarambhapuram, Feeder Road, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada and accepted the same through her Junior Assistant, Sri S.Satyanarayana on 23.09.2013 for doing an official favour i.e., not to harass and book cases against his Restaurant and bar and thereby contravened of Rule 3 (1) and (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Condt.,2

5. And in respect of Accused Officer-2 Sri Setakam Satyanarayana, Junior Assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada disciplinary proceedings have been initiated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 in the reference 8th read above duly framing the following charge :

> "That Sri Setakam Satyanarayana while working as Junior Assistant O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada accepted on 23.09.2013 illegal gratification of Rs.40,000/- on behalf of the Excise Superintendent, Smt. Boyapati Sreelatha from Sri Mudyala Jaganmohan Reddy S/o Malakonda Reddy, 41 years, Business partner of Sri Kanaka Durga Restaurant & Bar, Bramarambhapuram, Feeder Road, Krishna Lanka, Vijayawada and thereby contravened of Rule 3(1) and (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

6. Whereas, in the reference 9th & 10th read above, Smt. B.Sreelatha, Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, and Sri S.Satyanarayana, Junior Assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada, have submitted their Written Statement of Defences before the Government.

7. Government after careful examination of the matter have appointed Sri A.Chandra Sekhar Naidu, Joint Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise as Inquiring Authority vide reference 11th read above, for conducting inquiry into the charges framed against both the above mentioned Charged Officers and to submit enquiry report for taking necessary action in the matter.

8. And whereas, in the reference 13th read above, the Inquiring Authority has submitted the enquiry report. As per the findings of the Inquiring Authority report, the charges framed against 1) B.Sreelatha, formerly Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada 2) S.Satyanarayana, formerly junior assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada are **not held proved**.

9. Government after examination of the matter in detail, have considered to accept the findings of the Inquiring Authority in respect of both the said charged officers and therefore, decided to drop further action against them as the charge framed against them are not substantiated in the inquiry conducted by the Inquiring Authority. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against the both the charged officers viz., Charged Officer-1 Smt. B.Sreelatha, formerly Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada and Charged Officer-2 Sri S. Satyanarayana, formerly junior assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada duly exonerating them from the charges framed vide reference 7th & 8th read above respectively.

10. The Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise Department shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.D.SAMBASIVA RAO
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (CT, EXCISE & R&S)

To

Smt.B.Sreelatha, formerly Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada and presently working as Assistant Commissioner,Prohibition & Excise, Eluru, W.G.District (through Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise with a request to serve the order and furnish the served copy to Government for record)

Sri S. Satyanarayana, former junior assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Vijayawada presently Senior Assistant, O/o Prohibition & Excise Superintendent, Machilipatnam (through Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise with a request to serve the order and furnish the served copy to Government for record)

The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

Copy to:

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, A.P.Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur district.

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, P.N.Bus Station, NTR Administrative Block, II Floor, Vijayawada.

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER